

**Agency Activity Inventory**  
**by Agency**  
**Appropriation Period: FY 2006-07**

**Agency:** P16 - Department of Agriculture

**Functional Group:** Economic  
Development &  
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**1207 Soybean Board (Pass Thru)**

Improve economic vitality of business and individuals. Each board is funded by producers and engages in research, marketing and education related to the specific commodity. Marketing and Promotions provides assistance to all of the Commodity Boards. Commodity Boards Enabling Legislation - Agricultural Commodities Marketing Act §46-17-20.

FY 2006-07						
Total	General Funds	Federal Funds	Supp. Funds	CRF	Other Funds	FTEs
\$350,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$350,000	1.00

**Expected Results:**

Assist development of industry. Assist the present SC Commodity Boards with their collections, marketing, administrative, and other related duties to promote sales, usage and research for each specific commodity.

**Outcome Measures:**

Expansion and development of existing commodities, thereby increasing the marketability of SC products.

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**1208 Pork Board (Pass Thru)**

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\$150,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$150,000	0.00

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**1209 Cotton Board (Pass Thru)**

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\$413,700	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$413,700	0.00

**Expected Results:**

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**Outcome Measures:**

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**1210 Peanut Board (Pass Thru)**

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\$167,900	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$167,900	0.00

**Expected Results:**

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**Outcome Measures:**

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**1211 Watermelon Board (Pass Thru)**

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\$99,077	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$99,077	0.00

**Expected Results:**

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**Outcome Measures:**

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**1212 Tobacco Board (Pass Thru)**

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\$138,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$138,000	0.00

**Expected Results:**

Assist development of industry. Assist the present SC Commodity Boards with their collections, marketing, administrative, and other related duties to promote sales, usage and research for each specific commodity.

**Outcome Measures:**

Expansion and development of existing commodities, thereby increasing the marketability of SC products.

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**1213 S. C. Beef Board (Pass Thru)**

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\$300,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$300,000	1.00

**Expected Results:**

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### 1214 Laboratory Services

Laboratory work is directed to protection of the health and safety of South Carolina Citizens. Consumer protection regulatory responsibilities include production, storage, handling, transport and sale of food for human consumption. This includes testing of fruits and vegetables for pesticide residues, animal feeds for conformance to label guarantees, seed for farm and garden use, and petroleum products for heating and automotive uses. Test samples of products are collected from around the state by Consumer Service Inspectors. The Laboratory also operates a registration office for the registration of petroleum products, antifreezes, and commercial animal feeds. The registration office also issues various licenses for butterfat testers, commercial samples and weighers, frozen dessert products and salvager permits for commercial food salvage businesses. Laboratory staff provide assistance for emergencies involving natural disasters or homeland security threats posed by bioterrorist or agroterrorist events which involve the food supply. Enabling legislation - Seed and Noxious Weed Law and Commercial Feed Act. Laboratory Services enabling legislation - Seed & Plant Certification §46-21-10 et seq., Noxious Weeds §46-23-10 et seq., Imitations §39-35-10 et seq., Ice Cream, Ice Milk & Other Frozen Desserts §39-37-10 et seq., Corn Meal & Grits §39-29-10, Rice §39-31-10 et seq., Proviso 22.4 (AGRI: Seed Licenses) and Proviso 22.13 (AGRI: Export Certification)

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\$1,547,046	\$1,420,546	\$5,000	\$0	\$0	\$121,500	22.00

**Expected Results:**

Assurance of quality and safety of food products from processing facilities to the marketplace involve chemical, physical and biological testing of products. Responsibilities include, in addition to food for humans, regulation of animal feeds, seeds sold for agriculture and gardening, and petroleum products sold for heating and automotive uses across the state.

**Outcome Measures:**

Violation rates by program for FY 05-06: Food - 8.9%, Pesticide Residue - 1.3%, Feed - 13.8%, Seed - 3.3%, Petroleum - 4.4%. These violation rates remained fairly steady from the past fiscal year and are comparable to violation rates in other states.

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### 1215 Consumer Services

Enforces the following laws: Weights and Measures Law - §39-9-10, Gasoline, Lubricating Oils and Other Petroleum Products Law - §39-41-5, Food and Cosmetic Act - §39-25-10, Egg Law - §39-39-110, Dealers and Handlers of Agricultural Products - §46-41-10, Grain Producers Guaranty Fund - §46-41-200, Grain Dealer Guaranty Fund - §46-40-10, Public Weighmaster Law -

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§39-11-10, State Warehouse System Law - §39-22-10. The Division also oversees the Waste Management Amnesty Program in addition to drawing official samples of produce, meats, animal feeds, seeds, enriched foods, petroleum products for the Laboratory Division for the enforcement of several other laws.

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\$1,633,606	\$390,606	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,243,000	40.00

**Expected Results:**

Provide protection to the consumer by ensuring that commodities being purchased or sold are correctly measured and provide for the calibration with traceability to the NIST the standards for mass, length and volume that are used by industry. Ensure the quality of petroleum fuels purchased in the state. Ensure that food products and cosmetics are manufactured and held under safe and sanitary conditions. Protect the producer or farmer by ensuring prompt and full payment for their products. Through three guaranty funds ensure that grain producers, grain dealers and holders of warehouse receipts receive payment for their commodities if a firm should go bankrupt or commit fraud or embezzlement.

**Outcome Measures:**

Consumer Services Statistics for FY 05-06: Firms visited for Weights and Measures Inspections: 10,044. Fuel pumps: 64,216 inspected - 1.63 % incorrect. Small Scales: 15,084 inspected - 2.49% incorrect. Large scales: 1,489 inspected - 11.01% incorrect. Net Content of Packages: 1,477,277 inspected - .26% incorrect. No. firms provided calibration services by Metrology Lab: 304. No. of calibrations of standards performed by Metrology Lab: 8,658. No. of licensed Dealers & Handlers: 114. No. of licensed Weighmasters: 3,193. No. of licensed Warehouses for the storage of cotton and grain: 30. No. of audits of licensed Dealers & Handlers & Warehouses: 303. No. of Food & Cosmetic inspections: 714.

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**1216 Marketing & Promotions**

Improve the economic vitality of businesses and individuals. Maintain and develop broad based marketing programs to increase consumer awareness and product demand for quality SC agricultural commodities at local, national and international levels. Agricultural promotion programs include assisting state producers and processors in exporting commodities to national and international markets, assistance with roadside and community markets, promoting specialty products in international and national trade shows, assisting small farmers and the organic food industry, promoting horticulture, and assisting with rural rehabilitation for the state Women-Infants-Children Farmers Market program and Senior Program. Assistance is provided in markets such as the equine industry, aquaculture industry, etc. Provide assistance to the Commodity Boards related to the specific commodity. Marketing & Promotions Enabling Legislation: Agriculture Marketing Act §45-15-10 et seq., Agricultural Commodities Marketing Act §46-17-20, Local Marketing Authorities §46-19-10 et seq., Roadside Market Incentive Programs §46-19-210 et seq., Aquaculture Permit Assistance. Office §46-51-10 et seq.

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\$2,465,964	\$1,458,464	\$120,000	\$800,000	\$0	\$87,500	23.75

**Expected Results:**

Assist development of industry. Expansion and development of existing industries that utilize South Carolina Agricultural commodities, both fresh and processed, thereby increasing the marketability of locally grown products. Since funding was received in this fiscal year to aid our S. C. Quality Program (membership of approximately 100 firms), SCDA will be able to continue to bring attention to agricultural products grown, processed, or manufactured in this state by using the S. C. Quality logo in retail promotions.

**Outcome Measures:**

South Carolina commodity groups spent approximately \$406,300 in FY 05-06 for the improvement of the agriculture industry and new markets. New contacts gained at food shows and agricultural industry events in order to improve the sale of South Carolina agricultural products is estimated at 300.

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**1217 Market Services**

Improve economic vitality of businesses and individuals. The SCDA operates State Farmers Markets in Columbia, Greenville and Florence. The Columbia and Greenville State Farmers Markets operate 24 hours a day, closing only on Thanksgiving and Christmas days. A source of fresh, locally produced fruits and vegetables, the markets are also major venues for the sale and distribution of horticultural products that draw consumers from a broad geographic area. Market Services Enabling Legislation: Agricultural Marketing Act and State Farmers Market §46-15-10 through 46-15-100.

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\$2,567,511	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$750,000	\$1,817,511	20.00

**Expected Results:**

Assist development of industry. The Markets provide facilities for farmers to conduct direct sales of fresh produce to both consumers and major food distributors. The Markets serve as food distribution hubs. In addition, produce is shipped directly to grocery chains, restaurants, and industrial food handlers. The service area of the Markets extends beyond the boundary of the state, supplying produce throughout the eastern United States and Canada.

**Outcome Measures:**

The farmers markets generate \$260 million in sales of all agricultural products sold on the markets. The BEA estimates financial impact from the farmers markets on the state's economy from South Carolina farmers in excess

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of \$104 million yearly.

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### 1218 Inspection Services

Identify health risk factors and improve the economic vitality of businesses and individuals. Inspection programs provide inspection services to the fresh produce, poultry and egg processing, and livestock industries to ensure quality grade standards through a cooperative status with USDA to the allied industry. This program helps protect the public from illness caused by food products that are contaminated, adulterated or otherwise unfit for consumption. Market news programs provide up-to-date firsthand market news to the farming industry through a cooperative status with USDA. Inspection Services Enabling Legislation: Agricultural Commodities Marketing Act §46-17-20 and Eggs §39-39-110.

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\$1,809,865	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,809,865	25.81

#### Expected Results:

Inspectors examine facilities for cleanliness, potential cross contamination, appropriate facility temperatures, and sanitary preparation practices. Market News collects daily pricing commodity information as well as performs grading inspection services.

#### Outcome Measures:

Statistics for FY 05-06: Number of Fruit and Vegetable Certificates - 817. Number of Peach Certificates - 149. Number of Tomato Certificates - 41. Number of Peanut Inspections - 6,915

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### 1219 Market Bulletin

The 91-year-old Market Bulletin, published twice a month, provides a venue for buyers and sellers of agricultural and agricultural-related items (ie goods, livestock, land). Revenue is generated by subscription sales. Market Bulletin Enabling Legislation: Proviso 22.1 (AGRI: Market Bulletin).



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\$341,500	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$341,500	4.00

**Expected Results:**

Approximately 20,000 subscribers with potential ad sales between buyers and sellers that result in a significant economic impact throughout the State.

**Outcome Measures:**

The Market Bulletin generates an estimated \$12,000,000 of agricultural economic activity per issue.

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**1220 Administrative Services**

This function provides executive leadership, support, policy development and review, financial services, computer and information technology, facilities management, personnel services, legal services, interagency billing, and other related administrative services.

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\$1,427,823	\$1,407,823	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$20,000	14.00

**Expected Results:**

Administrative Services directly supports the department's activities and mission.

**Outcome Measures:**

In addition to the traditional administrative responsibilities of the office of the Commissioner of Agriculture, Commissioner Hugh Weathers estimates approximately 300 contacts were made throughout the state while traveling an estimated 45,000 miles. this activity promotes agriculture and agribusiness while fulfilling the mission of the department.

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**AGENCY TOTALS**

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<b>TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS</b>	<b>TOTAL GENERAL FUNDS</b>	<b>TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS</b>	<b>TOTAL OTHER FUNDS</b>
\$13,411,992	\$4,677,439	\$125,000	\$7,059,553
	<b>TOTAL SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDS</b>	<b>TOTAL CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS</b>	<b>TOTAL FTEs</b>
	\$800,000	\$750,000	151.56